(Washington, DC)- Congressman Tim Ryan (OH-17) was appointed today to serve on the House Budget Committee, which, with his appointment yesterday to the House Armed Services Committee, provides Congressman Ryan with the opportunity to make sure that the 17 th

District receives the federal investments necessary to continue moving out of the recession. The jurisdiction of the House Budget Committee is derived from the Budget Act, and includes jurisdiction over the concurrent resolution on the budget and the budget process generally.

The House Budget Committee establishes federal spending and taxing priorities in each Congress. Over the years, the duties and responsibilities of the Budget Committee have been established in statute, as well as House Rules and includes the budget resolution, reconciliation, budget process reform, oversight of the Congressional Budget Office, and revisions of allocations and adjustments to the federal budget.

- "Balancing the federal budget is a serious concern for the American public," said Congressman Ryan
- . "Our dependence on foreign debt puts our nation at great risk, as we are forced to negotiate trade and environmental issues, as well as discuss human rights with the same nation's who are lending us money. I look forward to working with Chairman Ryan and Ranking Member Van Hollen to find common ground on how to end the cycle of indebtedness."

With this appointment, Congressman Ryan will help oversee the approximately 20 categories of the budget. Both the President's budget, submitted annually, and Congress' budget resolution, passed annually, comprise the functions of the budget.

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